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Anticipated Classification
of this Application:

☒ Class 053

☒ Subclass 065000

Prior Application

Examiner: HUYNH, LOUIS K.

Art Unit: 3721

CONTINUATION APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

Mail Stop PATENT APPLICATION
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450



Dear Sir:

This is a request for filing a continuation divisional application pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b), of pending prior application:

Serial No. 10/215,150 by Yukio NAKAGAWA et al. (inventor(s) currently of record in prior application) for PACKAGING SYSTEM WITH IMPROVED FLOW ARTICLES.

1. ☒ Enclosed is a copy of the prior application, including the oath or declaration as originally filed, or a replacement specification which does not add new matter.
2. ☒ The filing fee is calculated below:

CALCULATION OF FEES								
ITEM		TOTAL NO. OF CLAIMS		NO. OF CLAIMS OVER BASE	LG/SM \$ ENTITY FEE		\$ AMOUNT	\$ FEE
A	TOTAL CLAIMS FEE	20	-20	0	LG=\$18 SM=\$9	\$0	\$ 0	
B	INDEPENDENT CLAIMS FEE*	3	-3	0	LG=\$84 SM=\$42	\$0	\$ 0	
C	SUBTOTAL - ADDITIONAL CLAIMS FEE (ADD FINAL COLUMN IN LINES A + B)							\$ 0
D	MULTIPLE-DEPENDENT CLAIMS FEE				LARGE ENTITY FEE = \$280 SMALL ENTITY FEE = \$140		\$ 0	
E	BASIC FEE				LARGE ENTITY FEE = \$750 SMALL ENTITY FEE = \$375		\$ 750	
F	TOTAL FILING FEE (ADD TOTALS FOR LINES C, D, AND E)							\$ 750
	*LIST INDEPENDENT CLAIMS [LIST OF INDEPENDENT CLAIMS]							

3. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Account No. 50-1314. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.
4. ☐ A check in the amount of \$ 750 is enclosed.

5. ☒ Cancel in this application original claim(s) 2-8 of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes.)

6. ☒ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

This is a continuation of application Serial No. 10/215,150 filed August 8, 2002, which is a continuation of application Serial No. 09/545,281 filed April 7, 2000, which applications are hereby incorporated by reference in their entirety.

7a. ☐ New formal drawings are enclosed.

7b. ☒ Priority of application Serial No(s):

Japanese application Serial No. 11-099644 filed April 7, 1999 and is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119.

7c. ☒ The certified copy of the priority application was filed in prior application Serial No. 09/545,281, filed April 7, 2000.

8. ☒ The prior application is assigned of record to: ISHIDA CO., LTD.

9. ☒ The power of attorney in the prior application is as listed on the attached filed in the parent application.

a. ☒ The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.

b. ☐ Since the power does not appear in the original papers, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.

c. ☒ Address all future communications to:

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d. ☐ A new Associate Power of Attorney is enclosed.

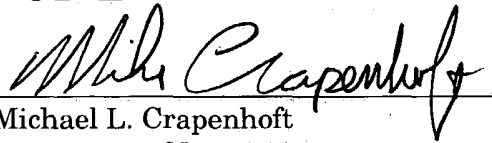
10. ☒ A preliminary amendment is enclosed. (Claims added by this amendment have been properly numbered consecutively beginning with the number next following the highest numbered original claim in the prior application.)

11. ☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

☐ Applicant no longer claims small entity status.

12. ☐ An Information Disclosure Statement listing _____ references is enclosed.

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In re application of:

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Dear Sir:

I hereby certify that

- ☒ two copies of a letter of transmittal
- ☒ patent application (18 page(s) of specification; 20 claim(s); 1 page(s) of abstract
- ☒ 9 sheet(s) of formal drawings
- ☒ Preliminary Amendment
- ☒ Petition for Extension of Time (3-months)
- ☒ return postcard

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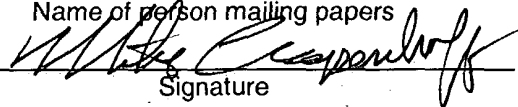
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